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ATTENTION OF:

HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES FORCES KOREA

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: US Forces Korea (USFK) Command Policy Letter #5, Good Neighbor Program

1. This letter supersedes USFK Command Policy Letter #5, 23 April 2007. It remains in effect until rescinded or superseded.
2. Reference. USFK Regulation 600-55, Good Neighbor Program, 1 November 2006.
3. This policy applies to USFK military members, DoD civilian employees, USFK invited contractors and technical representatives, and all USFK dependents.
4. USFK, Service Component Commands, and Base / Garrison / Installation Commanders will engage with elements of Korean society in order to strengthen the ROK-US Alliance through increased, positive contact with our Korean ally. This engagement strategy falls under the capstone approach entitled the Good Neighbor Program (GNP). The Good Neighbor Program is essential to the effectiveness of this command. We are all Ambassadors for America, and the GNP constitutes our outreach program with the citizens of the Republic of Korea. The Good Neighbor website (www.goodneighbor.or.kr) shares news about the program in Korean and English and invites questions and comments from the public. The Good Neighbor Program is a commander's program and will only be successful if each Service Component and Garrison / Base / Installation Commander aggressively and effectively pursues the principles and intent of the Program. Unity of effort is essential. In pursuit of an effective Good Neighbor Program, our goal is to achieve and sustain a positive image of USFK in the ROK.
5. All commanders and leaders must pursue the measurable goodwill that will be created through community assistance and goodwill activities. We must all emphasize to our personnel the importance of good community relations, and seize opportunities to undertake such activities. Garrison / Base and Senior Mission Commander head start programs will be sustained or developed to acquaint all newly assigned USFK personnel with Korean history, customs, traditions, and culture. Additionally, all Servicemembers are required receive the standard USFK Good Neighbor Program brief at in-processing. Finally, Commanders and leaders should update their GNP activities on their respective area links on the USFK website and be familiar with tracking and feedback reporting requirements to ensure compliance with USFK Regulation 600-55.

This letter can be found at <http://www.usfk.mil>


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6. I encourage individual USFK Servicemembers, civilians and their family members to participate in the activities of local Korean schools; religious activities; fraternal, social, and civic organizations; sports and recreation programs; and other aspects of community life. Voluntary joint language training classes and social visits between Americans and Koreans will develop close friendships and mutual respect.

7. Every USFK member must support GNP activities as we expand our horizons with this program. It is only through a complete team effort that we will obtain our goal and thus strengthen the ROK-US Alliance. As we "Go Together" successfully into the future, we will use the Good Neighbor Program as our guidepost.

8. The POC for this policy is J1 Good Neighbor Program Branch, 723-6926, usfkj1gnp@korea.army.mil.


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